

REMARKS

[0001] In the Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment the Office asserts that Applicants do not address the specification objection on page 2 of the Office Action mailed 4/6/07. That objection states “The specification is objected to as failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter...the term “computer readable medium” is not described in the applicant’s specification.”

[0002] Applicants disagree. Applicants submit that the specification objection regarding the term “computer readable medium” was addressed, although possibly not as clearly as it could have been. Specifically, the response mailed July 2, 2007 states “however that amendment is now cancelled and the § 101 concern is now addressed in current amendments to Claims 8-20.” See response mailed July 2, 2007 page 8, paragraph 2. Those amendments removed the term “computer readable medium” in favor of the term “computer program product comprising a tangible computer useable medium.” See response mailed July 2, 2007 page 8, paragraph 3. Therefore, applicants submit that the response was responsive to each objection and rejection.

[0003] Furthermore, Applicants submit that one of ordinary skill in the art will appreciate that a “tangible computer useable medium” is exactly what the phrase indicates. It is a tangible medium that a computer is capable of using. Examples of such media include magnetic discs, both removable and non-removable, Compact Disks (CDs), Digital Video Disks (DVDs), Flash memory drives, Read only Memory (ROM) devices, Random Access Memory (RAM), and the like. Furthermore, a tangible “computer useable medium” does not include intangible signals or carrier waves.

[0004] Applicants also propose amending the claims as set forth above to address any 35 USC §101 concerns raised by the Examiner in the interview held September 12, 2007. Claim 8 was amended to recite the “memory device” positively within the claim.

[0005] In the event any questions remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initiate a telephone conference with the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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